

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Original) An electronic clinical thermometer for measuring a body temperature of an organism, which comprises a temperature measuring element for detecting a temperature, a display device for displaying the temperature measured by the temperature measuring element, an operation switch for predetermined operation, and a vibration generator for notifying that the electronic clinical thermometer is in a predetermined state, wherein

the electronic clinical thermometer has a width, a thickness, and a longitudinal length longer than said dimensions, and

the operation switch and the vibration generator are arranged on one side of the display device in the longitudinal direction of the electronic clinical thermometer.

2. (Original) The electronic clinical thermometer according to claim 1, wherein the display device, the operation switch, and the vibration generator are arranged in the order named in the longitudinal direction of the electronic clinical thermometer.

3. (Original) The electronic clinical thermometer according to claim 1, wherein the temperature measuring element, the display device, the operation switch, and the vibration generator are arranged in the order named in the longitudinal direction of the electronic clinical thermometer.

4. (Currently Amended) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein the electronic clinical thermometer has a battery storage portion for storing a battery, and the battery storage portion is located on the side opposite the temperature measuring portion with respect to the vibration generator.

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5. (Currently Amended) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, wherein the vibration generator is a vibration motor having a rotating shaft and an eccentric weight rotatable around the rotating shaft and extending long in the direction of the rotating shaft, and the vibration motor is located so that the rotating shaft thereof extends at right angles to the longitudinal direction of the electronic clinical thermometer.

6. (Currently Amended) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, wherein the electronic clinical thermometer has a circuit board on which given electronic components are mounted, and the circuit board is located in a position apart from the vibration generator.

7. (Original) The electronic clinical thermometer according to claim 6, wherein the circuit board is located so as not to overlap the vibration generator on a plane in the thickness direction thereof.

8. (Currently Amended) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, wherein the electronic clinical thermometer has an inside frame for holding the vibration generator.

9. (Original) The electronic clinical thermometer according to claim 8, wherein the vibration generator is a vibration motor having a rotating shaft and an eccentric weight rotatable around the rotating shaft, the inside frame is formed with a notch portion or a recess, and the eccentric weight of the vibration motor is located in the notch portion or the recess.

10. (Currently Amended) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~claim 8 or 9~~ claim 8, wherein the inside frame further holds the circuit board.

11. (Currently Amended) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~any one of claims 8 to 10~~ claim 8, wherein the inside frame further holds the display

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device.

12. (Currently Amended) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~any one of claims 8 to 11~~ claim 8, wherein the inside frame has a first support portion and a second support portion for supporting the vibration generator in the vertical direction of the electronic clinical thermometer.

13. (Currently Amended) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~any one of claims 8 to 12~~ claim 8, wherein the inside frame further has a holding portion for holding a battery.

14. (Original) The electronic clinical thermometer according to claim 12, wherein the electronic clinical thermometer has a sheath case for holding the inside frame, and the first support portion or the second support portion is supported by the inner surface of the sheath case.

15. (Original) The electronic clinical thermometer according to claim 14, wherein the sheath case has a front portion located so that a display panel of the display device can be visually confirmed and a rear portion situated at the back of the front portion, and the first support portion or the second support portion is supported by the inner surface of the rear portion of the sheath case.

16. (Original) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~claim 14 or 15~~ claim 14, wherein the inside frame is fitted with a lid, so that the first support portion is provided on the inside frame, the second support portion is provided on the lid, and only the second support portion is supported by the inner surface of the sheath case.

17. (Currently Amended) The electronic clinical thermometer according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 16~~ claim 1, wherein the operation switch is a switch for starting temperature measuring operation, and the vibration generator is actuated before measurement is started after the operation switch is operated.